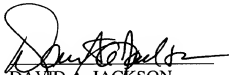


REMARKS

The above amendment is submitted herewith to reduce multiple dependencies and to conform the claims more closely to U.S. practice. In addition, the Specification has been amended during International processing and certain of the pages thereof were revised and submitted as amended pages, which amended pages were accepted by the International Authority. To assure that the most current and accurate copy of the instant application is placed before the Examiner for substantive consideration, Applicants submit herewith a full copy of the International Application which includes all of the amendments made during International Phase. The changes made during International processing are believed to be appropriate and are not believed to raise the issue of new matter, and entry and favorable consideration and substantive examination thereof is accordingly requested.

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